Dear Howard-- SIMONS

I interpreted your letter to mean that June 10 was passed over altogether; but I want to make sure about an alternative possibility, that a column was distributed to the list though not used by the Post.

In either case, I'm too far ahead of schedule, and I get uncomfortable about timeliness, so I've held off turning anything in this week. You should have in hand 3 pieces, plus two old 'timeless ones'-

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and possibly will have used one of these for the 17th

All this is going fine; a little vacation gives me a better chance to think about the series at a deeper level. I do thank you for letting me know what happens, but there is no anxiety about it.

There is a problem about the timeliness of the pieces you do have in hand: it might save them to just remark they had been written during the crisis prior to a brief vacation on my part. Anyhow, if you have decided the sequence you mean to use them, drop me a briefest line.

Yours.

- P.S. I am just accepting an appointment to the NIMH Council, which is a break in my minimum travel policy, and will bring me to Washington more frequently.
- P.P.S. Halleluja for the Supreme Court on the Loving case, and even more for the Beilenson act(re abortion) in California. Social change is possible after all! Reagan sure tried to work both sides of the street here.